

DCPS Capital Improvement Program Fact Sheet 17 September, 2003

Thomson Elementary School 1200 L Street, N.W. Renovation / Addition

Background:

Thomson elementary school is a 40,187 square foot school constructed in 1910 with a 1924 addition. The school capacity is 308 students with a current enrollment of 335. The school was identified and approved for modernization in early 1999. In late 1999 DCPS completed city wide Educational Specifications for new and fully modernized schools. In 2000 a site-specific educational specification and feasibility study was completed for Thompson. This study recommended replacement of the school and was approved in the fall of 2000. The planned new school is programmed at 67,000 square feet with a student capacity of 335. Swing space is Logan E.S. Schematic designs were completed in January 2001 and have been reviewed by the principal. Following review of schematic designs by DCPS and SHPO, the decision was made to renovate the school rather than replace it. The renovation with addition design is in the final stage. Expected occupancy is December 2004.

Status:

This school is currently in the construction phase. The designer is Lance Bailey of Washington, D.C. Asbestos abatement complete in October 02. Construction contract awarded to Hess Construction on 19 Feb 03. Demo inside old school is complete. Permit delays and underground obstructions have caused delays and will rwquire some redesign work for the new addtion. Construction is currently 10% complete.

